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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
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Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 3 and 4 as follows:

Claim 3, line 2, change "Claim 1 or Claim 2," to -- Claim 1, --.

Claim 4, line 4, change "any of Claims 1 to 3." to -- Claim 1. --.

Please add claims 5-7 as follows:

-- 5. The anisotropic conductive adhesive composition according to Claim 2, further comprising electrically conductive particles. --

-- 6. A connected structure, wherein electrodes on a plastic substrate and on a circuit board that are facing each other are connected by the adhesive composition according to Claim 2. --

-- 7. A connected structure, wherein electrodes on a plastic substrate and on a circuit board that are facing each other are connected by the adhesive composition according to Claim 3. --

REMARKS

Claims 1-7 are pending. By this Preliminary Amendment, claims 3 and 4 are amended and claims 5-7 are added to eliminate multiple dependencies. Prompt and favorable examination on the merits is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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